Our Reference: PAR-115-C

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Allan McCarty

Serial Number:

09/649,473

Filing Date:

August 28, 2000

Examiner/Art Group Unit:

M. Graham/3711

Title:

BILLIARD CUE

AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 37 CFR 1.116

Box AF

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

1.

Sir:

Entry of this amendment under the provisions of Rule 37 CFR 1.116 is respectfully requested.

In the claims:

2 3

5

(Twice Amended) A billiard cue comprising.

a shaft having a wall with an outer surface and a tip end and an

opposed end, a hollow, void bore extending from the tip end for at least a

predetermined distance along the length of the shaft toward the opposed end to

reduce the mass of the tip end to minimize che ball deflection on impact with the cue.